

WATCHING BESIDE HER DYING BED

Mother McKinley Has Recognized Her Son Once More.

ALL HER FAMILY NOW ABOUT HER.

Slowly But Surely Death Is Stealing Upon the Loved One.

IT IS ONLY A QUESTION OF HOURS.

Physicians Hold Out Hops That She Will Live Through the Night.

Special Dispatch to THE CALL

CANTON, Ohio, Dec. 7.—Once more the children of Nancy Allison McKinley have gathered about her couch, and the reunion is complete.

The President and Mrs. McKinley, together with other relatives from the East, came in early in the morning, the latter part of the journey being made on a special train.

The President has remained almost constantly at the bedside since his arrival and kept to-night's vigil, relieving others of the children, who have been constantly at the bedside.

At 11:30 Mother McKinley was still resting easily. Dr. Phillips at his last visit reported that she was resting easier than at any time during the day, and that the morning would see her alive.

ECONOMIZING AT MARE ISLAND YARD

Plenty of Work to Be Done, but the Money is Not Available.

Investigation of Complaints of Veterans That They Are Singled Out for Discharge.

Special Dispatch to THE CALL

VALLEJO, Dec. 7.—Ever since the United States ship Baltimore left the navy-yard the working force on the island has been steadily decreased until now scarcely 800 men are employed there.

Work on the Pensacola, which, after completion, will be stationed off Goat Island as a training-ship for boys, is at a standstill; and the work on the Mohican is progressing very slowly, although every effort will be made to complete her repairs, so that she may go into commission on or about the 15th of January.

The Yorktown, which recently arrived here from the States, will go out of commission on the 11th inst., as she is sorely in need of extensive repairs.

The Alert, which last week arrived from southern waters, will undergo some needed repairs, after which she will be ordered again to Central America to protect American interests there.

For several days past an investigation has been in progress in the yard concerning the discharge of veterans. The veterans recently discharged filed a complaint with Secretary Lane charging that they were let out and civilians retained.

The Secretary commissioned Lieutenant Knapp, who has conducted like investigations in Eastern navy-yards, to conduct the hearing. The leading foremen of the navy-yard have been examined, including Sheehan, Hood, Stevens, Sargent and Gillard, and the complaining veterans. The investigation is about over, and Lieutenant Knapp will leave for Washington the latter part of this week.

FRENCHMEN SLAIN.

Fall Into the Hands of Savages in the Heart of Equatorial Africa.

BRUSSELS, Dec. 7.—The Mouvement Geographique to-day announces that it learns that a French expedition under Major Marchand, while on its way to the Nile, has been massacred near Dabrenghaza.

The place to which the survivors of the French party have retreated, according to the Mouvement Geographique, is an advance station of the French Congo on the way to Bahreghazel.

HOPE FOR DREYFUS DWINDLES

Interpellation of the Government by M. Scheurer-Kestner.

DISCUSSION IN THE SENATE.

Arguments of Statesmen Fail to Strengthen the Prisoner's Defense.

MINISTER OF WAR'S ACT IS SUSTAINED.

During an Anti-Dreyfus Demonstration a Police Chief is Wounded by the Mob.

Special Dispatch to THE CALL

PARIS, Dec. 7.—The Cabinet this morning decided to answer this afternoon in the Senate the interpellation of M. Scheurer-Kestner, one of the vice-presidents of that body, regarding the Dreyfus scandal and to allow all the discussion desired.

A band of students assembled in front of the Luxembourg Palace, where the Senate sits, this afternoon, and engaged in an anti-Dreyfus demonstration. They traversed several streets shouting, "Down with Scheurer!" "Down with the Senate!" "Down with the Figaro!" and "Down with Zola!"

The police eventually stopped the demonstration, but a police chief was badly mauled by the mob before he was rescued. Five of the riotous students were arrested.

In anticipation of an exciting session of the Senate the precincts of Luxembourg Palace were crowded to-day and the police were called into requisition to keep the people moving. There were many ladies and persons of prominence in the galleries of the Senate, and there was a full attendance of Senators.

When the opening formalities had been concluded the President, M. Loubet, announced that M. Scheurer-Kestner desired to interpellate the Government in the persons of the Premier, M. Meilne, and the Minister of War, General Billot, in regard to their declarations in the Chamber of Deputies on Saturday last on the subject of the alleged false imprisonment of Alfred Dreyfus.

The Premier signified his readiness to answer the questions put to him, and the Senate decided to open the discussion forthwith. M. Scheurer-Kestner then reviewed the Dreyfus case at length. He traversed the statement of M. Meilne, relative to his evidence that Captain Dreyfus was unjustly condemned, saying that although he had not delivered the documents into the Premier's hands, he had shown them to him.

Continuing, M. Scheurer-Kestner said he had been violently attacked by a part of the press, but he had also found valiant and disinterested help from members of both chambers, literary men and others.

"I told M. Meilne," said the speaker, "he could publicly declare me mistaken if he could show proofs that Dreyfus was guilty. M. Meilne, however, refused to do so, and also declined to consider any evidence respecting the anonymous note. If Dreyfus was not convicted on the anonymous note, then he was convicted on evidence which was not communicated to the defense, and who will dare to defend such procedure before this assembly, which, only the other day, in order to secure prisoner's rights, introduced a bill of justice, voted reforms in the criminal procedure?"

M. Scheurer-Kestner then declared that the Government had refused a revision of the principal passages. When he referred to the disinterested support he had received from two newspapers accused of being subsidized by the friends of Dreyfus, a storm of hisses followed, but he stood undismayed until it subsided and then went on. The speech of M. Scheurer-Kestner was frequently interrupted by murmurs and there was little applause.

The Minister of War, General Billot, replied that M. Scheurer-Kestner had submitted to him no evidence. He had contended, the Minister explained, that the anonymous note was the basis of the whole affair, and that if it was shown not to have been written by Dreyfus, the latter ought to be accorded a new trial. But the general, as Minister of War, could not go back on the judgment of the court-martial, and he acted within his right in declaring and repeating that Dreyfus was guilty. Cheers.

The present inquiry, continued the Minister of War, did not concern Dreyfus, but concerned Major Esterhazy, the officer whose letters, bitterly reflecting upon France and the French army, were recently published by the Figaro. The War Office, he declared, had done its duty, and the various documents, including the Bordeaux, would be submitted to a commission of inquiry. In conclusion, General Billot said: "Let justice accomplish its work, and let us all think patriotically of the army and of France." [Applause.]

The Premier, M. Meilne, was the next speaker. He said it was the duty of the Minister of War to affirm the authority and judgment of the court; it was not his function to revise it. He (the speaker) had told M. Scheurer-Kestner that the Minister of War had no right to receive evidence. If M. Scheurer-Kestner had fresh documents to produce that should be submitted to the Minister of Justice, but those interested preferred another method. The Government, M. Meilne said, had taken the only course possible in the midst of this storm of conflicting passion.

"A military inquiry has been opened," the Premier said in conclusion. "Let its decision be awaited. The press campaign must cease, for it has already done much harm. The honor of the army and the interests of the national defense should

remain outside of all discussions. Certain facts are involved which affect our most essential interests and they should remain secret, lest an indiscretion might lead to the gravest consequences."

Senator Provost de la Launay accused M. Scheurer-Kestner of promoting an anti-patriotic and anti-French work. Despite the opposition of the Senate and the public galleries he (Dr. de Launay) tried to introduce personalities. He also read a Russian press agency telegram saying how much gratified the Russian nation had been by General Billot's vindication of the honor of the army in the Chamber. This introduction of a foreign element not only failed of its purpose, but aroused strong protests under cover of which the Senator withdrew.

At the conclusion of General Billot's statement M. Scheurer-Kestner thanked him for his promises to submit the various documents in the case to a commission of inquiry.

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BEN HILL DIES. The United States Supreme Court Refuses Life to the Murderer.

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OUTLAW MOLINA NOW A CAPTIVE

Kern Officers Capture the Murderer of Ramos.

Come Upon Him Suddenly and Take Him Without Struggle.

The Prisoner Admits His Crime and Seeks to Justify the Killing.

Special Dispatch to THE CALL

BAKERSFIELD, Dec. 7.—After cunningly eluding the officers for four days, Ysabel Molina, the murderer of Ramos, is behind the bars of Kern County's jail.

He was landed there late last night by Deputy Sheriff John S. Douglass and Al Hulz. The capture of the outlaw was effected by these officers: at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon, fifty miles south of here, on the direct road to Ventura County, whether it was supposed Molina was making for the shelter of friends, covered by a Winchester rifle in the hands of Officer Douglass and accosted with the

firm command "Hold up your hands," the murderer surrendered without a shot, much to the surprise of the officers.

Messrs. Douglass and Hulz reside near the locality where they captured Molina. They were of the opinion he would strike in that direction for the Coast Range when he got well away from town, and, in consequence, they were on the lookout.

Both knew Molina. At about 9 o'clock Sunday morning this supposition as to the course the murderer would take to get out of the country was confirmed when Molina was seen walking along the road near their home with his blankets on his back and going in a southerly direction. They hastily took a team and struck out in a wagon for him, but again the sly Mexican worked his mysterious dodge. They searched all day and could get no trace of him.

The next morning a new start was taken and at about 9 o'clock his trail was struck. A short while before the capture was effected the pursuers met two vaqueros, who informed them that the object of their pursuit was not far up the canyon. These young men were then armed and sent on to overtake Molina. In a little while they came upon him and engaged him in conversation until Messrs. Douglass and Hulz drove up. When they were within about thirty yards of him the vaqueros fell back and Douglass jumped from the wagon and at once covered the outlaw with his Winchester.

Molina at first acted as if he would draw his pistol and offer fight, but with a repetition from Douglass' big bass voice of the command, "Hold up your hands," down went the little Mexican's blankets and up went his hands.

When they were searching him Molina coolly informed Douglass that had it not been for the others he could have stood him off. He then asked why he was arrested, saying that he was only a laborer looking for work. He had on his person a pistol—the one with which he slew Ramos. After being searched he was

buried on his long ride to jail, never speaking during the entire fifty-mile trip.

This afternoon Molina was arraigned, and his preliminary hearing fixed for December 11. He did not appear to be particularly concerned. When asked if he admitted the killing, he answered, with some impatience: "Certainly I did."

"Why did you kill Ramos?" he was asked. "He was all the time trying to raise me, and I did not propose to have it that way. So I invited him out to fight, and I shot him."

"Did he have any weapon?" "I don't know. I suppose he had, or he would not have come out to fight. Yes, I killed him; I don't deny it. Why, he wanted me to spend my money all the time treating. We had been drinking together all night."

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Shipping Records Destroyed. PORT TOWNSEND, Dec. 7.—A fire which occurred yesterday morning in the office of Rothchild & Co., the oldest shipbrokers' firm on Puget Sound, destroyed the full data of all the shipping of Puget Sound and British Columbia waters since the year 1863. The records destroyed were the only ones in existence.

NEW TO-DAY! WHEN OTHERS FAIL CONSULT

RANCHER BRADEN'S GALLANTRY. Remains in Jail Rather Than Have a Woman Go on His Bail Bond.

FRESNO, Dec. 7.—Gill Braden, the farmer who recently shot and wounded two Mexicans at Huron, in the western part of the county, is in the county jail awaiting trial. He is in jail because he refused to have a woman go on his bail.

Mrs. S. L. Cox, who lives in the Coast Range foothills, drove over thirty miles to Huron—to go on Braden's bond for \$1000, the amount which he still lacked to obtain his release from custody. She qualified, was accepted by the Justice of the Peace, and the court ordered the release of the prisoner.

"I am not going to impose upon a woman in order to get out of jail," he explained. Friends insisted that he should not take such a view, but he adhered to his determination not to impose upon a woman.



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